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LYSINE OR L-ARGININE BY

USING METHANOL-

ASSIMILATING BACTERIUM

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 1, 2007, which set a 3-month shortened statutory period for response thereto, please consider the remarks herein regarding the above-captioned patent application.

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